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Great Bend vs Newton, Opens the Local Season on Home Grounds May 17

Hoisington Weddings.

Chafin Fuller and Miss Mary Akeroid were married at Osawatomie Saturday afternoon at 3:30 and left immediately for Kansas City on their honeymoon trip. Chafin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Fuller of this city respected young man. The bride is an Osawatomie girl. They will make their future home at Osawatomie where Mr. Fuller is employed as a pharmacist.

Mr. E. F. Matthiesen and Miss Cora Keener were married at the home of the bride's parents in this city last evening at 8:30 o'clock. They left immediately for their new home at LaCrosse. They are two of Hoisington's most popular and highly respected young people and the good wishes of the community go with them.

Only the family and a few friends were present to witness the ceremony which was performed by Rev. Paslay of the U. B. church.

Mayme E. Heath and Chas. E. Sease were quietly married at the Catholic rectory Tuesday morning by Father O'Sullivan. Mr. and Mrs. Sease will make their future home at Horace, Kansas.

The bride is one of Hoisington's popular young ladies who has a host of friends who wish her unbounded happiness in her new home.

Back Home Again

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Miller returned Thursday from their extended trip to Pacific coast points, glad to get back convinced that this is the best place between here and the Pacific ocean, although they saw many nice places and enjoyed the trip. Mr. Miller says the greatest asset the coast has is its climate. While at Klamath Falls, Oregon, they met Mr. R. B. Bruce, former Great Bend resident.

One And

Two exhibition games were played by the Millers the past week. On Sunday Abbott's Lions came over for a game, going home with the short end of a 4 to 3 score. A large crowd was at the game, and several recruits were given an opportunity to show their form. The summary of the game is as follows:

Lyons . . . 001 000 002—3 6 3
Great Bend 003 100 00x—4 10 2
Two base hits, Lyons, Abbott. Base on balls, off Lührson 3, off Fox 1, off Snyder 1. Struck out by Kuhaken 1, Lührson 4, Fox 3, Snyder 3, Drensen 3. Hits, off Kuhaken 1, in three innings, Lührson 3 in three innings, Fox in three innings, off Drensen 3 in three innings.

Hit by pitcher Chase by Fox. Wild pitch, Fox.
Time of game, 2 hours.
Umpire, Groom.

Free List Bill Passed.

On Monday of this week the bill known as the Farmers Free list was passed through the national house of representatives, by a vote of 286 to 109. The Democrats voted solidly for the bill, as did 24 Republicans. Of the Kansas delegation Anthony, Jackson, Murdock and Madison voted for the bill.

Marriage Licenses.

J O Hamilton, Muskogee, Okla.
Grace Stephens, Great Bend
Alva Weathers, Great Bend
Emma Edna Nicolet, Great Bend
Samuel G Lee, Clafin
Bertha Blich, Clafin
John Ewalt, Great Bend
Hazel Tounier, Great Bend

Will Brands was in the city a day or two the past week visiting his cousin, Cal Ewalt.

The junior party given in honor of the senior class of the high school was held at the home of Fred Zutavert last Saturday evening, and as usual, was an enjoyable affair.

Rebels Gaining Ground.

The dispatch the past few days have indicated a decided gain on the part of the insurgents in Mexico. This week after severe fighting, they succeeded in capturing the city of Jaurez opposite El Paso. A number of combatants were killed or wounded, and stray bullets got some of the folks on the American side of the line. This is an important capture for the rebels, and will urge President Diaz to hurry the resignation, which he has been contemplating all week.

Board of Control Visit.

We have been advised that the Board of Control will visit this city on May 24th spending the day here, coming from Hutchinson, and going to Larned. They will look over what the folks of Great Bend have to offer in the way of a site for the new hospital. We are not in close touch with the committee having this matter in charge, but if the people of this locality want this institution it is high time for them to be lining facts and figure up to show the gentlemen constituting the board of control when they visit this city.

Sons of Veterans.

An application for a charter for a Sons of Veterans camp has been approved for the city of Hoisington, and in a short time the organization will be perfected there. This order once very strong, sort of dwindled away for a few years following the Spanish American war, but is now rebuilding and gaining in numerical strength all the time.

Barton County's Thirteen Representatives at The University of Kansas

Barton County is represented by thirteen enthusiastic and progressive students at our University this school year. Misses Anna Bird, Clara Clayton, Novma Mering, and Messrs. Roy Mc Mullen, William Charles, and Chas. Hooper, from Great Bend, Misses Amy McCauley, Helen and Esther Degen, Lucile Barret and Mr. Claude Doty from Hoisington, Mr. Frederick Speier from Pawnee Rock and Wesley Matthaef from Ellinwood.

Two of these representatives have so qualified themselves that they are now holding University position. Mr. Chas. Hooper is an assistant in Bacteriology, Pathology and Physiology, while Mr. Claude Doty is an assistant in the office of Edw. E. Brown, the purchasing agent for the University.

The Commencement Exercises at the University begin June 6, with Class Day. This day will be given over to the exercises of the graduating class to the Alumni reunion and to the big class picnic.

Commencement day, June 7, will be devoted to the graduation exercises and addresses. Dr. Albion W. Small, head of the Sociology Department of the University of Chicago will deliver the commencement address. This professor is also the author of several books and is editor of the American Journal of Sociology. The music will be furnished by the University band. At noon the exercises will close with the annual dinner in which preparations will be made to seat a thousand guests in Robinson gymnasium.

The number of graduates this year exceed all previous years and is more than fifty over last year. The total being four hundred and nineteen.

Mrs. Walter Speck, of Chicago, who was called here by the death of her father, the late L. B. Cuss, made this office a pleasant call on Wednesday.

A Rare Treat.

Monday night the Harrison Bros., colored minstrels, J. M. Busby owner, showed under canvas at tenth and main streets, and those who missed the show sure missed the treat of the season. Mr. Busby is an old hand at the show business and has learned the likes and dislikes of the show going people about as well as any man in the business. With this show he has selected the very cream of colored people to put on this minstrel and all who were there will be ready to speak words of praise for the same. The street parade at noon took the crowd on the street and was one of the best ever seen in western Kansas. It was remarked on the street while the band was playing that they were perhaps like most shows, putting the best on the free list; but after the big show was over these same people remarked that they had not even produced a friction of the show on the street—that it was all saved for those who attended the performance. From our point of view, that was right. All throughout the program nothing was said or done to offend the most fastidious. The costumes were the most beautiful carried by any tent show organization. And from the applause the various characters received, it was evident that there was not a dissatisfied person in the tent. The aftermath put on by this company was away above the average as put on by similar attractions. If Mr. Busby ever returns to our city with this company he will simply have to buy a larger tent, for it was filled to the utmost capacity this time and the next time it would not hold the crowd.

"It Is Sad But True."

Just as it had been advertised for the past weeks, the Great Weidman Bros., Kit Karson Buffalo Ranch Wild West Show arrived in Great Bend on time last Saturday morning. The street parade in the morning was about as good as could be expected of the average wild west shows (perhaps a little below the average) but that is not here nor there, but those who were here to see knew better. The airship that had been so extensively advertised, went down to the park in swimming and the aviator had the episodic and consequently could not make the flight, or perhaps the crew was seasick or they either forgot to bring the airship with them, it may have been just a little oversight on their part, anyway no one saw it. The show in itself should have been quarantined immediately after the afternoon performance and thus saving the patrons who happened to venture out in the evening the torture they were compelled to endure, but thanks to the ruler of such things, the show was cut short to relieve the people of their agony. Nin other words as spoken in the language of the immortal poet or Hoyle, the show was simply rotten, and if there were other words in the language to express ourselves we would use them. Last but not least, Don't think we will slight the concert or after-piece, or the last spasm, a bit as this feature alone is worthy of special mention. In this it was plain to see how they had their hands in the pockets of the unsuspecting public. Here it was that a lot of cast off would-be actors tried to amuse the people with their old stale gags. And this part of the show will long be remembered, for when will you ever be able to witness one so rotten again. About the only real fun there was, was to see some of the home boys roasting these alleged actors. All those that remained for the concert feel that they received their money's worth. The show left town with the found farewell "rotten."

The pews from G. N. Moses, who is in the Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minn, is not as good as it might be. A second operation has been found to be necessary.

New County Superintendent.

The change in the office of county superintendent took place on Monday of this week according to law. Mr. Opie, by his proxy, Mr. Freer, stepping out, and Miss Jennie Momyer, who was elected by a handsome majority last fall, assuming the



duties of the office. Miss Momyer is the first lady to occupy this position in this county, and the second one to be elected to any office in the county.

Mr. Opie, while acting as county superintendent, made a very capable official. He was liked by the teachers and the patrons, extended courteous treatment to all who had business with him, and assisted in whatever way he could to build up the rural schools of this county. No less capable was his deputy, who since Mr. Opie accepted a position in the Citizens Bank, has had full charge of the office, and both gentlemen retire with the best wishes and respect of the people of this county.

The present incumbent is one of the most successful teachers of this section of the state. She has spent a number of years in the profession, after having spent several years making special preparations, and there is no doubt but what during her administration the public schools of this county will be well cared for.

Here is success to her, and to her predecessors, in whatever line they may decide to engage.

Kansas City Callers

The Kansas City Commercial strong, made a social call on the business men of this city Thursday afternoon. They traveled in fourteen Pullmans and were out for business, as well as a good time. They made a thirty minute stop in this city.

C. J. French Dead.

C. J. French passed away at his home in our city Saturday morning, April 29, after several weeks suffering. In his death Pawnee Rock loses one of its old settlers, an honest and highly respected citizen.

Charles J. French was born in Johnstown, Ohio, August 14, 1842. He moved with his parents to Iowa in 1859. In 1866 he was married to Elizabeth Brady. To this union ten children were born—O. A. French, W. B. French, Emery E. French, Charles C. French, L. R. French, Mrs. O. M. Williamson, Mrs. Ora Lile Earl French and Alice French.

He moved to Jewell county, Kans, in 1877 and to Barton county in 1886 in which county he has since resided. He united with the Methodist Episcopal church at LaGrange, Iowa, in 1860 and has been a member ever since. He died at his home in Pawnee Rock April 29, 1911, aged 67 years, 8 months, 15 days.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church at 2:30, conducted by Rev. Nicholson, and the remains were laid to rest in the Pawnee Rock cemetery.—Pawnee Rock Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith have returned from a visit to their daughter Ella, who is attending school at Liberty, Mo.

Commencement Week Calendar

The festivities of Commencement at the Great Bend High School will start on Sunday. The program for the week is as follows:

Class Sermon, Sunday, May 14, Rev. Wm. Westwood at the Congregational church, 11 a. m.

Class Day, Monday morning, May 15, 10:30.

Junior Reception for Seniors, Wednesday evening, May 17.

Commencement, Friday evening May 19, M. E. church, 8 o'clock.

Alumni banquet, Saturday evening, May 20.

The following is the program for Class Day:

Piano Solo, Beatrice Rush.
Reading, Fannie Gwinn.
Charge to Juniors, Victor Blakey.

Response, Mildred Coughlin.
Presentation, Helen Hayes.
Oration, "Music," Ethel Clark.
Violin Solo, Muriel Hooper.
Farce.
Class Song.

The Commencement Day program is as follows:

Class March, Helen Dawson.

Invocation, Rev. Cockerill.

Violin Solo, selected, Muriel Hooper.

Salutatory, Deborah E. Sutton.

Valedictory Oration, "The force of the public school," James L. Sellers.

Vocal Solo, "Even Bravest Heart" from Faust, Gounod, Mr. Mr. R. K. Wattson.

Commencement Address, Mr. Henry J. Allen, Wichita Kan.

Quartette, selected, Mrs. E. E. Morrison, Mrs. E. R. Moses, Jr., Mrs. Cole Russell, Mrs. J. George Brinkman.

Presentation of diplomas, Dr. E. E. Morrison.

Benediction, Rev. W. E. Brehme.

Class Roll

Muriel Angela Hooper

Victor B. Blakey

Albert G. Paxton

Beatrice Irene Rush

Deborah E. Sutton

Helen Elizabeth Hayes

Edith Belle Sellers

Mae Ruth Winget

Fannie L. Gwinn

Ethel Gertrude Clark

James L. Sellers

Mabel M. Biggs

Bess Barrieklow

Clyde A. Koontz

M. Mande Wyman

Robert G. Smith

B. Harry Asher

John H. Gilman

Mitchell Park

Harold Moore

Harry O. Speck

Julia Helen Dailey

Claude L. Kitchen

Anna Brandt

Chapin Hotchkiss.

The news of the engagement of Miss Huldah Chapin to Mr. Hal Hotchkiss is exciting a great deal of interest, for though the two young people have spent only a short time in Topeka, they have become very well known here and are popular in the college set. It was Miss Chapin who took the soubrette role in the last two plays given by the Elks' club and the talent which she displayed upon both occasions was much commented upon. Mr. Hotchkiss also had leading roles in the same plays and he is now a student in the Washburn college law school and will be graduated in June. Miss Chapin, whose home is Watonga, Okla., formerly was a student in the Washburn college school of music and many of the musical people heard her sing at a recital which she and Mr. Darwin Bradley gave together several years ago at the Elks' club. Miss Chapin was the guest for two weeks of Miss Rachel Hotchkiss and returned yesterday to her home in Watonga. The wedding will take place in June.—Topeka Capital.

The engagement of Miss Rae Hotchkiss and Mr. George White has also been announced.

Won the First One

Great Bend won the opening game in the state league yesterday by defeating Wellington in a hot game, the score being 2 to 1. The batteries were for Great Bend, Lührson, Kuhagen and Wacob, Kuhagen relieving Lührson in the eighth, and for Wellington, Giffin and Morgan. Great Bend secured ten hits to Wellington's five, and made three errors to Wellington's four.

Mrs. Grant Jones.

Like a thunderbolt from the clear sky, came the announcement Monday afternoon of the death of Mrs. Grant Jones, at the family home in this city, after an illness of only a few days. The news once more impressed us all with the fact, that in the midst of life we are in death. Mrs. Jones usually strong and healthy, in the space of a few brief days stricken and taken to her reward, leaving a heartbroken husband and daughter to mourn her untimely taking away.

Mrs. Jones was born in Massachusetts. Had she lived until next Monday she would have been 39 years of age. She was the daughter of Captain and Mrs. George Gray, who, with a sister, husband and daughter Marion, age 10, survive her. In 1877 the family came to Kansas. She was married to Grant Jones at the family home in Wheatland township in 1893 by Rev. Colegrove. Some eight years ago they removed to this city.

Three children were born to the union, two of whom, little boys preceded her in death.

Deceased was an indefatigable worker in church and club work. Being a member of the Progress club, of which she was president for the current year, and of the Congregational church, and its various societies, being especially active in the Missionary movement. A request she made when she saw the end coming was that her friends, instead of sending flowers to her funeral, should expend the amount thus to be expended in the missionary cause. She was one of the brightest women in our city. Home loving, always working for the interests of others. She was always ready to do her part, and though time may heal the wound in the hearts of her loved ones and her friends, and although the good she has done in this world will live after her as a monument to her, it is but a slight balm for those left behind. With the passing of time the pangs may be lessened, but they can never be fully erased from memory. It seems unjust that such a one should be taken, when in the prime of life, and engaged in doing the Savior's work, but the ways of God are mysterious, and we must always bow our heads in humble submission to His will. He knows what is best for us and it is our duty to bow.

The funeral services were conducted at Congregational church on Thursday afternoon by Rev. Sutherland, of Mason City, the former pastor, assisted by Rev. Brehme.

Nicolet-Weathers

Edna Emma Nicolet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Nicolet, and Mr. Alva Weathers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weathers, were married at the home of the bride's parents on the south side on Wednesday, the 10th, at 5 p. m., in the presence of the families of the contracting parties. In the evening a reception was tendered the pair in the W. O. W. hall in this city and attended by a very large number of friends of the young people.

Mr. and Mrs. Weathers are among the popular young folks of the south side where both were born and grew up. They are hardworking young people and in starting on life's journey they go down the stream under the most auspicious circumstances. We join the hundreds of friends of both in extending our congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Waganan were the guests of Hutchinson friends Sunday.